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Applicants: D. Stoianovici, et al

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Application No.: 09/943,751

Group: 3731

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PLACEMENT IN SOFT TISSUE TARGET AND METHODS AND SYSTEMS RELATED
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37 C.F.R. §1.116
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EXAMINING GROUP 3731**

1. Transmitted herewith is
(a) an Amendment for this application, and
(b) a Notice of Appeal for this application.

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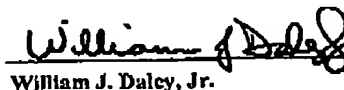
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STATUS

2.

- ☒ a small entity. A statement:
 ☐ is attached.
 ☐ was already filed.
☐ other than a small entity.

3.

EXTENSION OF TERM

4. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply.

(complete (a) or (b), as applicable)

- (a) ☒ Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (fecs: 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a)(1)-(4)) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)	Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<input type="checkbox"/> one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> two months	\$ 420.00	\$ 210.00
<input type="checkbox"/> three months	\$ 950.00	\$ 475.00
<input type="checkbox"/> four months	\$ 1,480.00	\$ 740.00

Fee: \$ 210.00

If an additional extension of time is required, please consider this a petition therefor.

(check and complete the next item, if applicable)

- ☐ An extension for _____ months has already been secured. The fee paid therefor of \$ _____ is deducted from the total fee due for the total months of extension now requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$ 110.00

OR

- (b) ☐ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

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FEE FOR CLAIMS

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. § 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

[Col. 1] [Col. 2] [Col. 3] Small Entity Other Than a
Small Entity

Claims Remaining After Amendment	Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Additional Fee	Rate	Additional Fee
Total 53	Minus 55	=0	x \$ 9 =	\$0.00	x \$ 18 =	\$0.00
Indep.8	Minus 6	=2	x \$43 =	\$86.00	x \$ 86 =	\$0.00
[] First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				+\$145 = \$0.00	+ \$290 = \$0.00	
				Total Addit. Fee: \$86.00	Total Addit. Fee \$	

- * If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "O" in Col. 3,
 ** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".
 *** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3".
 The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or Indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

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(complete (c) or (d), as applicable)

- (c) [] No additional fee for claims is required.

OR

- (d) [**XX**] Total additional fee for claims required **\$86.00**

FEE PAYMENT

6. [] Attached is a check in the sum of \$0.00.
 [**XX**] Charge Account No. 04-1105 the sum of **\$296.00**

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FEE DEFICIENCY

7. ☒ If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 04-1105.


AND/OR

- ☒ If any additional fee for claims is required, charge Account No. 04-1105.

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